Introduced by Assembly Member Conway

February 25, 2009

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 36—Relative to the Greatest Generation Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 36, as introduced, Conway. Greatest Generation Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a specified location on State Highway Route 63 in Visalia as the Greatest Generation Memorial Highway. This measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering those costs, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- WHEREAS, World War II was the most widespread war in
- 2 history, in which Americans rallied together after the Japanese
- 3 attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Over 413,000 Americans gave their lives to
- 5 preserve our liberty and freedom during this conflict that ended 6 on August 15, 1945; and
- WHEREAS, Visalians were involved abroad in Europe, the
- 8 Pacific, and at home in contributing towards the eventual victory
- 9 of the United States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The City of Visalia made a significant contribution
- 11 to the United States war effort through leasing the Visalia

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1 Municipal Airport to the United States Army, which conducted 2 significant operations, including air submarine patrols, at the 3 renamed Visalia Army Air field; and

WHEREAS, Visalia's World War II veterans deserve to be commemorated and honored, while recognizing their shared values of duty, honor, and courage that united their generation; and

WHEREAS, The Greatest Generation World War II mural, which is 72 feet wide and 19 feet high and depicts and symbolizes events and people throughout the war, is located at 26572 South Mooney Boulevard, also known as State Highway Route 63; and WHEREAS, In recognition of the contributions made by Visalia's World War II veterans and other citizens, and by the City of Visalia to the United State's victory in that conflict, it would be a fitting tribute to designate a portion of State Highway Route 63, also known as South Mooney Boulevard, in Visalia as the Greatest Generation Memorial Highway; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the 1.6 mile portion of State Highway Route 63, also known as South Mooney Boulevard, from West Visalia Parkway to Avenue 264 in Visalia as the Greatest Generation Memorial Highway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.